In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the currently-pending claims are clearly patentably distinguishable. Accordingly, entry of this amendment, reconsideration of the rejection of the claims over the reference cited, and allowance of this application are earnestly solicited.

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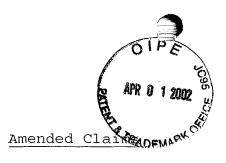
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APPENDIX

- 8. (thrice amended) A printed circuit which is provided with a synthetic resin capping layer, said circuit comprising a printed circuit board having at least one electric component, and the capping layer comprising a foam-forming reactive injection-moulding material exhibiting a variation of mechanical properties in a direction at right angles to a surface of the capping layer, characterized in that said variation of the mechanical properties is a continuous variation.
- 11. (amended) A mobile telephone comprising a housing in which a printed circuit is arranged, characterized in that the printed circuit is provided with a synthetic resin capping layer comprising a foam-forming reactive injection-moulding material which constitutes the housing of the mobile telephone.